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C O N F I D E N T I A L SINAI 1043

FOR SSM

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PFOR, EG, IS, UN  
SUBJ: EGYPTIAN MINE CLEARING

REF: A. STATE 104015, B. SINAI 1027

1. YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF GENERAL APPROACH TO MINE CLEARING IS THE SAME AS OURS. IN MAY 4 INSTANCE, AS REPORTED TO SFM BY UNEF, EGYPTIANS HAD BEEN AUTHORIZED TO CLEAR MINES IN BUFFER ZONE. THIS HAD ALSO BEEN APPROVED BY UNHQ JERUSALEM.

2. IT IS NOT CLEAR FROM THE RADIO EXCHANGES WHETHER UNEF AUTHORIZED MINE REMOVAL FROM THE GIDDI WEST AREA OR FROM ALONG THE TASA-GOLF-MIKE ROAD. SFM WAS NOT CONSULTED IN ADVANCE OR ADVISED. AS EGYPTIAN MINE CLEARING DETAIL WAS UNDER UN ESCORT, HOWEVER, IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THEIR ARRIVAL GIDDI WEST WAS ACCORDING UNEF INSTRUCTIONS.

3. UPON SFM PROTEST TO UNEF AND TO UNHQ JERUSALEM, MINE CLEARING DETAIL WAS INSTRUCTED TO DEPART GIDDI WEST AREA AND TO RESTRICT OPERATIONS TO AREA WEST OF TASA-GOLF-MIKE ROAD.

4. MINES EGYPTIANS INTENDED REMOVE WERE IN AND AROUND  
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SFM SENSOR FIELD. LATTER, AS YOU AWARE, WAS LAID OUT TO USE MINE FIELD TO CHANNEL TRAFFIC INTO SENSOR AREA. RMOVAL OF ALL MINES WOULD REQUIRE CONSIDERABLE CHANGE OF SENSORS TO COVER AREAS OPENED TO POSSIBLE TRAFFIC. COULD ALSO REQUIRE MORE SENSORS THAN NOW IN STOCK HERE.

5. WE WILL REVIEW WITH UNEF REPRESENTATIVES AND REPORT

WHAT MINE AREAS MIGHT BE CLEARED WITHOUT AFFECTING SENSOR FIELD.  
PURPOSE SUCH CLEARING IS STILL TO GIVE GHANAIAAN UNITS MORE  
ACCESS TO AREA AND GREATER CONFIDENCE IN OFF ROAD PATROLS.  
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